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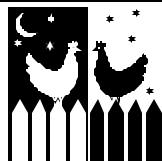
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady in the East, steady elsewhere. Demand was usually moderate at best, in instances good for retail ads and fast food. Supplies were irregular with heavy weights close balanced and light weights fully adequate in the West whereas in the East heavy weights were at least adequate and smaller sizes were adequate to tight. In the parts structure, drumsticks, leg quarters and bone-in breasts were balanced to well cleared. Wings were at least adequate and available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were in a full range but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 64.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 59.75 cents last year on the 12th of July, 2000. Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

DOCK PRICE

(CENTS PER POUND)

ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	207.00
BREASTS - B/S	142.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	74.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.50
LEG QUARTERS	32.00
WINGS	97.50

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SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was light to moderate, best where retail features and fast food promotions were present. Supplies were well balanced to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, breast items were in good balance and moving, dark meat was sufficient to well cleared with export interest still quite active, and wings were at least adequate with light movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, mostly desirable to light.

NORTHEAST Midweek trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly light to no better than fair and noted as typical for Wednesday trading. Offerings of the 2.5 to 3 pound birds remained in the closest position. The 3.5 pound and heavier sizes were at least adequate. Movement into retail and distributive channels was only fair. The market tone was steady to fully steady on the 3 pound and lighter sizes, about steady on the heavier weights. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts ranged adequate to balanced. Boneless-skinless breasts were fully sufficient. Drums and leg quarters were closely cleared. Wings were available.

MIDWEST The sentiment on whole birds was generally steady. Supplies were sufficient and held with increasing confidence. Demand into retail outlets was slow to fair, mostly moderate. Food service movement ranged sluggish to good, best into features and fast food. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate and weights were generally desirable. Supplies of parts were generally in balance with needs. Wings were noted as long in some locations. The undertone was barely steady on wings, steady on the balance.

WESTERN The market tone was steady. Offerings of heavy weights in close balance and confidently held, lighter sizes fully adequate. Retailer demand was moderate to good, best for parts and to cover features in progress. Floor stocks adequate. Offerings of drumsticks and thighs were barely adequate for current needs with balance of parts generally adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady on dark meat with light meat generally steady.

CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

15 STATES PERCENT CHANGE
WEEK ENDING 07/07/01 2001 2000 PREVIOUS YEAR

EGGS SET	180,691	175,495	+03
CHICKS PLACED	150,615	147,115	+02

*19 STATES

EGGS SET	200,669	-	-
CHICKS PLACED	168,451	-	-

BROILER EGGS SET IN 15 SELECTED STATES UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 181 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 7, 2001. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 151 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 7, 2001. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through July 7, 2001 were 3.98 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

*FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19 States set a total of 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 7, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 7, 2001.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 155.7 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 155.8 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 158.6 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 163.3 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 53.50 CENTS PER POUND.

JULY 10, 2001

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JULY 11, 2001

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	927	122.00-204.00	140-145	140.83
TENDERLOINS	1,032	140.00-235.00	140-145	148.77
BREAST - LINE RUN	119	73.00-78.00	74-76	74.67
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	283	40.00-51.00	43-46	43.93
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	351	27.00-30.00	27-28	27.26
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,394	29.00-32.00	30-32	30.89
WINGS (WHOLE)	314	84.00-98.00	95-97	96.37
WINGS (CUT)	588	105.00-110.00	107-109	107.82
DRUMSTICKS	73	51.00-53.00	-	52.81
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	966	122.00-204.00	142-148	140.92
TENDERLOINS	998	140.00-235.00	145	147.60
BREAST - LINE RUN	223	73.00-79.00	74-76	74.46
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	328	40.00-51.00	43-45	43.80
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	431	26.50-30.00	27-28	27.91
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,433	29.00-33.00	30-32	30.98
WINGS (WHOLE)	314	84.00-99.00	96-98	97.13
WINGS (CUT)	511	103.00-110.00	105-108	107.34
DRUMSTICKS	108	49.00-53.00	-	51.57
THIGHS	70	47.00-51.00	-	48.99
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
47.00 - 52.50	49.27	47.25 - 54.50	50.71	49.93

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity was light and typical of midweek trading. Offerings of boneless-skinless breasts were fully adequate. Bone-in breasts ranged balanced to well cleared. Drums and leg quarters were closely cleared. Wings were available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was about fair. The market tone was steady to fully steady on bone-in breasts, but no better than steady on boneless-skinless breasts. Drums and leg quarters were fully steady to instances firm. Wings were barely steady.

*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES

JULY 10, 2001			
ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130	137.59	566,340
TENDERLOINS	135	138.42	157,257
BREAST - WITH RIBS	66-67	74.14	260,640
BREAST - LINE RUN	66	70.01	190,440
LEGS	41-42	46.56	226,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30	30.54	766,716
DRUMSTICKS	38-39	45.22	179,300
THIGHS	37-38	45.35	122,280
B/S THIGHS	88-89	91.30	76,420
WINGS (WHOLE)	87-88	93.64	387,700
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.04	85,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.64	126,585
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.89	123,310

JULY 11, 2001			
ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130	136.93	500,320
TENDERLOINS	135	140.05	69,640
BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	75.00	276,840
BREAST - LINE RUN	67	70.00	144,520
LEGS	41-42	47.04	242,540
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30-31	31.02	909,838
DRUMSTICKS	39-40	46.38	169,480
THIGHS	37-38	45.00	125,880
B/S THIGHS	88-89	90.07	78,320
WINGS (WHOLE)	87-88	95.78	421,500
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.01	99,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.70	122,480
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.88	120,920

 INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	
	07/11	07/10	07/09	07/06	07/09	07/06	07/04	07/02		
ALA	4,061	4,046	3,843	4,073	5.02	4.96	(A)	4.92		
ARK	5,354	5,337	5,193	6,878	4.83	4.80	(A)	4.89		
DELMARVA	2,329	2,264	2,313	2,396	5.13	4.93	(A)	5.03		
KY-LA-TN	2,021	2,023	2,002	2,407	4.52	4.35	(A)	4.53		
MISS	2,874	2,785	2,850	3,851	5.00	4.53	(A)	5.08		
NC	2,655	2,642	2,547	2,936	5.92	5.71	(A)	5.84		
TEXAS	2,389	2,384	2,321	2,484	4.82	4.73	(A)	4.85		
TOTAL	21,683	21,481	21,069	25,025	5.02	4.85	5,044	5.01		
MON-WED	64,896	(B)					47,688	(B)		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Jul 01 and is estimated to be 32,440,000 up 328.59 percent from a week ago and up 0.1 percent from a year ago.
 (Last week 7,569,000; last year 32,399,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY
 DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	85-87
ROASTERS 4# & UP	71-90
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	-
DUCKS	139
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY
 DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	ICE PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		94-96
	DRY PACK	96-104
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	104-113
	DRY PACK	113-123
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	91
DUCKS		152-166

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 14-01

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/14/01 (1)	07/07/01
CLASS	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	164,836 (2)	141,865
LT HENS	1,637	1,423
HVY HENS	1,568	1,213
CHECK TOTAL	168,041	144,501

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 14-Jul-01 is 158.6 million head compared to 163.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.2 million head or 6.6 million more than estimated available. For week of 21-Jul-01 the estimated available is 159.5 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 9-Jul-01	173,722	60,780
AM 1-Jun-01	166,426	63,549
CHG	7,296	-2,769
PCT CHG	4	-4

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	07/09/01	07/02/01	07/10/00	07/09/01	07/02/01	07/10/00
PACIFIC						
COAST	28,350	27,019	22,298	4,369	4,260	16,817
LOS						
ANGELES	3,758	3,457	299	2,462	2,475	4,652

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JULY 09, 2001

	RANGE
HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	54-56
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	56-65

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 07/10/01

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.40	1.05	.56	HEAVY FOWL ea.	1.25	3.25	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	.60	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	.40	.75	.59	MIXED FOWL ea.	1.50	1.85	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	.40	1.00	-
BROILERS lb.	.40	.90	.66	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	.90	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	1.00	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	.50	4.50	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	.75	3.25	-
ROOSTERS lb.	.50	1.40	.72	ROOSTERS ea.	1.00	6.00	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	8.00	-
DUCKS lb.	.40	.80	.58	DUCKS ea.	2.00	5.00	-
RABBITS lb.	.65	.95	.83	RABBITS ea.	1.00	3.00	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	4.00	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	6.50	8.00	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	.50	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	1.90	3.25	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	5.00	7.00	-
SILKIES ea.	.50	1.50	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	2.25	-				

TOTAL COOPS 146

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending July 6, 2001

	<u>Whole</u>		<u>Legs w/</u>	<u>Necks,Backs</u>	<u>Livers/</u>	
	<u>Chickens</u>	<u>Breasts</u>	<u>Thighs</u>	<u>& Wings</u>	<u>Gizzards</u>	<u>Hens</u>
RAYON						
Low	63.52	138.95	89.33	19.85	2.48	52.11
High	66.00	148.88	99.25	24.81	2.98	52.11
Mostly	65.01	148.88	99.25	19.85	2.48	52.11

SAN JUAN

Low	60.54	153.84	114.14	34.74	4.47	49.63
High	62.53	163.77	124.06	44.66	7.44	49.63
Mostly	62.53	153.84	119.10	37.22	4.96	49.63

NEW SAN JUAN

Low	62.03	138.95	89.33	14.89	2.48	49.63
High	64.51	148.88	99.25	24.81	2.98	49.63
Mostly	62.53	138.95	89.33	19.85	2.48	49.63

BECERRA

Low	59.55	148.88	114.14	34.74	4.47	49.13
High	62.53	163.77	124.06	44.66	5.96	50.62
Mostly	62.03	158.80	119.10	37.22	4.96	50.62

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderate with best clearances noted on the adequate to closely balanced supply of the 2.5 to 3.0 pound sizes; heavier sizes were at least adequate and at manageable volumes. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were in a full range of light to heavy, mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 57 to 71 cents. Trade sentiment was at least steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breast were in close balance and clearing. Boneless skinless breast were readily available. Drums and leg quarters cleared well. Other leg cuts were adequate. Wings were at least adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

	BRANDED
	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	56-77
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	60.38
NO. OF BOXES	13,016

*7 of 8 plants reporting.

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